

MINUTES OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Stephen Morris at 10:40 a.m. on March 18, 2003, in Room 123-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except: All present

Committee staff present:

Alan Conroy, Director, Kansas Legislative Research Department
J. G. Scott, Chief Fiscal Analyst, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Martha Dorsey, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Melissa Calderwood, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Julian Efird, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Paul West, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Deb Hollon, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Norman Furse, Revisor of Statutes
Michael Corrigan, Assistant Revisor of Statutes
Judy Bromich, Administrative Analyst
Mary Shaw, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:

H. R. "Rocky" Vacek, Administrative Officer, Kansas Board of Barbering
Marvin Burris, Vice President of Finance and Administration, Kansas Board of Regents
Sheila Frahm, Executive Director, Kansas Association of Community College Trustees (written)
David Monical, Director of University and Governmental Affairs, Washburn University (written)

Others attending: See attached list

Copies of the Kansas Legislative Research Department Budget Analysis Report for FY 2003 and FY 2004 were distributed to the committee.

Subcommittee reports on:

Kansas Department of Corrections (Attachment 1)

Subcommittee Chairman Jordan reported that the Subcommittee concurs with the recommendation of the Governor for FY 2003.

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Senator Jordan moved, with a second by Senator Jackson, to amend the subcommittee report with a proviso regarding Item No. 5 in FY 2004 to transfer approximately \$183,000 from the State General Fund to the Ombudsman of Correction's budget. Motion carried on a voice vote.

Senator Jordan moved, with a second by Senator Jackson, amend the subcommittee report for a technical amendment regarding Item No. 6 in FY 2004, regarding closing of the Visitors Centers, that the Norton Correctional Facility Visitors Center has also been closed. Motion carried on a voice vote.

El Dorado Correctional Facility (Attachment 2)

Ellsworth Correctional Facility (Attachment 3)

Hutchinson Correctional Facility (Attachment 4)

Lansing Correctional Facility (Attachment 5)

Larned Correctional Mental Health Facility (Attachment 6)

Norton Correctional Facility (Attachment 7)

Topeka Correctional Facility (Attachment 8)

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Winfield Correctional Facility (Attachment 9)

Senator Jordan mentioned that the Subcommittee concurs with the recommendation of the Governor for the Correctional Facilities for FY 2003 and FY 2004. Senator Jordan mentioned that the Subcommittee expressed their concern regarding the idleness issue and the work crews lacking people to work with them in the public. Committee questions and discussion followed.

Senator Jordan moved, with a second by Senator Jackson, to adopt the subcommittee budget report on the Department of Corrections and the El Dorado Correctional Facility, Ellsworth Correctional Facility, Hutchinson Correctional Facility, Lansing Correctional Facility, Larned Correctional Mental Health Facility and the Norton Correctional Facility, Topeka Correctional Facility and Winfield Correctional Facility for the FY 2003 and FY 2004 budget as amended. Motion carried on a voice vote.

Chairman Morris opened the public hearing on:

HB 2121--Application fee imposed on defendant entitled to indigent defense services

Staff briefed the committee on the bill. Staff distributed copies of a bill comparison between **SB 45** and **HB 2121** regarding the Application Fee - Board of Indigents' Defense Services (Attachment 10).

There were no conferees to come before the committee and the Chairman closed the public hearing on **HB 2121**.

Senator Adkins moved, with a second by Senator Jordan, to amend **HB 2121** to include the provisions of **SB 45**. Motion carried on a voice vote.

Senator Adkins moved, with a second by Senator Jordan, to recommend **HB 2121** favorable for passage as amended. Motion carried on a roll call vote.

Chairman Morris opened the public hearing on:

HB 2182--Kansas board of barbering, fees for licenses and other purposes

Staff briefed the committee on the bill.

H. R. "Rocky" Vacek, Administrator, Kansas Board of Barbering, testified in support of **HB 2182** (Attachment 11). Mr. Vacek mentioned that the Board is unanimously in support of the bill. He noted that increase of barber licensure fees is necessary because of limiting current fee fund balances and experiencing future negative fee fund balances.

There being no further conferees to come before the committee, the Chairman closed the public hearing on **HB 2182**.

Senator Salmans moved, with a second by Senator Jackson, to recommend **HB 2182** favorable for passage. Motion carried on a roll call vote.

Chairman Morris opened the public hearing on:

HB 2343--Out-district tuition for community colleges and Washburn university continued through 2004-05 academic year

Staff briefed the committee on the bill.

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Marvin Burris, Vice President for Finance and Administration, Kansas Board of Regents, testified in support of **HB 2343** (Attachment 12). Mr Burris explained that passage of **HB 2343** would maintain the revenue stream from out-district tuition in FY 2004.

Sheila Frahm, Executive Director, Kansas Association of Community College Trustees, submitted written testimony in support of **HB 2343** (Attachment 13).

David G. Monical, Executive Director of Governmental and University Relations, Washburn University, submitted written testimony in support of **HB 2343** (Attachment 14).

There being no further conferees to come before the committee, the Chairman closed the public hearing on **HB 2343**.

Senator Feleciano moved, with a second by Senator Jackson, to recommend **HB 2343** favorable for passage. Motion carried on a roll call vote.

The meeting adjourned at 11:25 a.m. The next meeting is scheduled for March 19, 2003.